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TAGS: PINT, PK
SUBJECT: FBIS SERVICING REQUIREMENTS FOR ISLAMABAD

1. WE ARE CONCERNED THAT THE EMBASSY MAY NOT BE RECEIVING THE FULL BENEFIT OF THE FBIS MONITORING SERVICE BECAUSE OF CURRENT MINIMIZE RESTRICTIONS AND HAVE DISCUSSED WITH FBIS THE POSSIBILITY OF BROADENING YOUR TAKE. THE CURRENT FBIS LATERAL SERVICING REQUIREMENT FOR ISLAMABAD IS PAKISTANI AND AFGHAN RADIO MATERIAL ON PAK-AFGHAN RELATIONS ONLY. AS A RESULT, YOU DO NOT RECEIVE INFORMATION SUCH AS MRS. BHUTTO'S RECENT INTERVIEW WITH THE LONDON DAILY TELEGRAPH ON AN AUTOMATIC BASIS.

2. FBIS HAS SUGGESTED THAT YOU MIGHT FIND IT USEFUL IF THE SCOPE OF THE REQUIREMENTS WAS BROADENED TO INCLUDE ALL PROCESSED ITEMS ON PAKISTAN'S INTERNAL DEVELOPMENTS. PROCESSED ITEMS ARE THOSE WHICH FBIS FIELD EDITORS HAVE EVALUATED AND TRANSMITTED TO WASHINGTON. INCLUSION OF THIS MATERIAL WOULD MEAN AN APPROXIMATE FOURFOLD INCREASE IN THE VOLUME OF YOUR FBIS TRAFFIC. AN OPTION FOR ALL PROCESSED ITEMS ON PAKISTAN WOULD MEAN A GREATER THAN ^FOURFOLD INCREASE, BUT NOT MUCH GREATER.

3. FBIS HAS ALSO INFORMED US THAT IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO INSTITUTE THE BROADER REQUIREMENTS FOR A TRIAL PERIOD IF YOU WOULD LIKE. AT THE END OF THE TRIAL PERIOD, IF YOU DECIDE THAT THE INCREASED INFORMATION FLOW DOES NOT JUSTIFY THE ADDITIONAL WORKLOAD, YOU COULD OPT TO GO BACK TO THE OLD SERVICING REQUIREMENTS OR TRY TO NARROW DOWN THE NEW REQUIREMENTS TO WEED OUT EXTRANEOUS MATERIAL.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: WE WOULD APPRECIATE HAVING YOUR THOUGHTS ON THE MATTER. WE WILL BE ABLE TO ARRANGE FOR ANY CHANGES IN THE LATERAL SERVICING REQUIREMENTS HERE. WE WILL ALSO RAISE THIS WITH AMBASSADOR HUMMEL AND HERB HAGERTY. VANCE

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